



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**John Hoeven**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**PRIDE OF DAKOTA MONTH**  
MARCH 2010  
**PRIDE OF DAKOTA SCHOOL LUNCH DAY**  
MARCH 23, 2010

**WHEREAS**, North Dakota is a leader in the production of quality agriculture and home-crafted products for the United States and the world, and the Pride of Dakota program serves as an important marketing tool for North Dakota companies that are competing in a global market; and

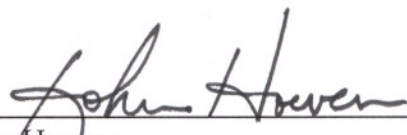
**WHEREAS**, Pride of Dakota is celebrating 25 years of helping North Dakota businesses develop and expand domestic and foreign markets for their products; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pride of Dakota program has more than 420 active and associate members that are competing in the global marketplace and making important contributions to North Dakota's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, all North Dakotans are encouraged to recognize the state's food industry and to show their pride in and appreciation for those who produce and process the food we eat; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, schools statewide will participate in *Pride of Dakota School Lunch Day* by featuring North Dakota grown and processed foods on their lunch menus.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 2010, **PRIDE OF DAKOTA MONTH**, and March 23, 2010, **PRIDE OF DAKOTA SCHOOL LUNCH DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

  
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John Hoeven  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State